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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is the nonprovisional patent application

For (Title):

SPREAD ILLUMINATING APPARATUS HAVING LIGHT CONVERGING MEANS

By (Inventors):

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Бу (1	inventors).
\boxtimes	Formal drawings (Figs. 1-8; 8 sheets) are attached.
_	Use Figure for front page of Publication.
\boxtimes	A Declaration and Power of Attorney is filed herewith.
	This application claims benefit of Provisional Application No filed
	(A Preliminary Amendment is attached to reflect this claim in the Specification if not already present.)
\boxtimes	This patent application is assigned to MINEBEA CO., LTD.
	The executed Assignment is filed herewith.
П.	An Information Disclosure Statement is filed herewith.
\square	Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted.
团	A Preliminary Amendment is filed herewith.
	Priority of foreign application No. 2003-44371 filed February 21, 2003 in Japan is claimed (35 U.S.C. §119).
	A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is filed herewith.
	This application is NOT to be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b). The undersigned attorney or agent hereby certifies that
	the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or
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